Claim 25, line 2, change "to any one of claims 19 to 21" to --to claim 19--;

Claim 29, line 2, change "to any one of claims 26 to 28" to --to claim 26--;

Claim 32, line 2, delete "or 31".

Kindly add new claims 34-54 as follows.

34. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 2, wherein the disk judging means detects whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if the wobble is detected.

35. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 3 wherein the disk judging means detects whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if the wobble is detected.

36. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 2, wherein the disk judging means detects whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if the sub-groove portion is detected.

37. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 3, wherein the disk judging means detects whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if the sub-groove portion is detected.

38. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 2, wherein the disk judging means detects whether another subaltern information region provided on the optical disk, which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating

that the optical disk is writable, or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if the code is detected.

39. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 3 wherein the disk judging means detects whether another subaltern information region provided on the optical disk, which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating that the optical disk is writable, or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if the code is detected.

40. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 2, wherein the disk judging means detects at least one of whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, and whether another subaltern information region provided on the optical disk, which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating that the optical disk is writable, or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if at least one of the wobble, sub-groove portion and the code is detected.

41. The apparatus for playing back the optical disk according to claim 3, wherein the disk judging means detects at least one of whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, and whether another subaltern information region provided on the optical disk, which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating that the optical disk is writable, or not, and then judges that the optical disk is writable if at least one of the wobble, sub-groove portion and the code is detected.

42. The apparatus for copying the optical disk according to claim 9, wherein the disk copy preventing means prevents the data information from being copied by preventing the data information from being deciphered.

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43. The optical disk according to claim 12, wherein the disk control information in the first subaltern information region and the disk control information in the second subaltern information region are formed by means of different recording methods to each other.

44. The optical disk according to claim 13, wherein the disk control information in the first subaltern information region and the disk control information in the second subaltern information region are formed by means of different recording methods to each other.

45. The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 20, wherein said other information than the disk control information is such information of whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, while
    it is judged that the optical disk is writable if the wobble is detected.

46. The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 21, wherein said other information than the disk control information is such information of whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, while
    it is judged that the optical disk is writable if the wobble is detected.

47. The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 20, wherein said other information than the disk control information is such information of whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, while
    it is judged that the optical disk is writable if the sub-groove portion is detected.

48. The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 21, wherein said other information than the disk control information is such information of whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, while
    it is judged that the optical disk is writable if the sub-groove portion is detected.

49.   The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 20, wherein said other information than the disk control information is such information of whether another subaltern information region which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating that the optical disk is writable, or not, while

it is judged that the optical is writable if the code is detected.

50.   The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 21, wherein said other information than the disk control information is such information of whether another subaltern information region which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating that the optical disk is writable, or not, while

it is judged that the optical is writable if the code is detected.

51.   The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 20, wherein said other information than the disk control information is at least one in such information set of whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, and whether another subaltern information region which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating that the optical disk is writable, or not, while

it is judged that the optical disk is writable if at least one of the wobble, the sub-groove and the code is detected.

52.   The method of preventing the illegal use of the optical disk according to claim 21, wherein said other information than the disk control information is at least one in such information set of whether the groove is provided with a wobble or not, whether the subaltern information region is provided with a sub-groove portion which connects a predetermined portion of the groove to an adjacent portion of the groove or not, and whether another subaltern information region which is different from said subaltern information region, is provided with a code indicating that the optical disk is writable, or not, while